Introduced by Senator Poochigian (Coauthor: Senator Costa)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Briggs, Florez, and Reyes)

September 5, 2001

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 43—Relative to the Deputy Sheriff Erik Jon Telen Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 43, as amended, Poochigian. Deputy Sheriff Erik Jon Telen Memorial Highway.

This measure would dedicate a specified portion of State Highway 168 within the City of Clovis, to the memory of Deputy Erik Jon Telen of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department, and would specify that this portion of State Highway Route 168 shall be known as the Deputy Sheriff Erik Jon Telen Memorial Highway. The measure also would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers showing that special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect appropriate plaques and markers.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen, of the Fresno County
- 2 Sheriff's Department, was killed while in the line of duty, on
- 3 August 21, 2001; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen was born in Clovis,
- 5 California, to Don and Sharon Telen; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen attended the Fresno City Police Academy, where he excelled, receiving top of the class honors in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Upon graduating from the Fresno City Police Academy, Deputy Erik Jon Telen joined the Ontario, California, Police Department in August of 1997; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen, in the fall of 2000, returned home to his family in the Clovis area, where he joined the Fresno County Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen is survived by his wife, Shelley, his daughters, Bethany and Brooke, his unborn son, due in October son, Erik Jon Telen, Jr., his mother, Sharon Telen, and his brother Danny Telen; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Erik Jon Telen was mortally wounded when he was gunned down while protecting the public, on August 21, 2001; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby dedicates that portion of State Highway Route 168 within the city of Clovis, California, from the Herndon Avenue Interchange to the Temperance Avenue Interchange, to the memory of Deputy Sheriff Erik Jon Telen; and be it further

Resolved, That State Highway Route 168 within the city of Clovis, California, from the Herndon Avenue Interchange to the Temperance Avenue Interchange be officially dedicated the "Deputy Sheriff Erik Jon Telen Memorial Highway;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with signing requirements of the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.